

I. Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims replaces without prejudice all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A latch mechanism for a collapsible container, the latch mechanism having:

a latch member disposed at an end of a sidewall of the container; and

a latch pivotally connected to a corresponding end of an adjacent sidewall of the container, the latch having a body with a biasing means attached thereto, for releasably engaging the latch member when the sidewall and the adjacent sidewall are in an assembled position, wherein the latch further has a pair of hinge posts extending from the body, for hinged coupling with the corresponding end of the adjacent sidewall of the container.

2. (Original) The latch mechanism according to claim 1, wherein the biasing means includes a pair of resiliently deformable arms.

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Currently Amended) The latch mechanism according to any one of claims 1 and 2 ~~claim 3~~, wherein the latch member includes a substantially rectangular aperture.

5. (Original) The latch mechanism according to claim 4, wherein the latch includes a lug for releasably engaging the latch member.

6. (Original) The latch mechanism according to claim 5, wherein the latch member has a tapered end.

7. (Currently Amended) The latch mechanism according to claim 2 ~~3~~, wherein the resiliently deformable arms abut a portion of the adjacent sidewall.

8. (Original) The latch mechanism according to claim 7, wherein the body has an aperture for receiving an actuating member.

9. (Currently Amended) A latch for a collapsible container, the latch having:

a latch body for hinged coupling with an end of a sidewall of the container; and

a biasing means attached to the latch body for biasing the latch body in engagement with a latch member, wherein the latch further has a pair of hinge posts extending from the latch body, for hinged coupling with an end of a sidewall of the container.

10. (Original) The latch according to claim 9, wherein the biasing means includes a pair of resiliently deformable arms.

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Currently Amended) The latch according to claim 10 ~~11~~, wherein the latch further has a lug for releasably engaging the latch member.

13. (Original) The latch according to claim 12, wherein the latch body has an aperture for receiving an actuating member.

14. (Currently Amended) A collapsible container having:

a base;

two pairs of opposed sidewalls pivotally attached to the base;

a latch member disposed at an end of one of the sidewalls;

a latch pivotally connected to a corresponding end of an adjacent sidewall, the latch having a body with a biasing means attached thereto, for releasably engaging the latch member when the sidewalls are in an assembled position, wherein the latch further has a pair of hinge posts extending from the latch body for hinged coupling with the adjacent sidewall.

15. (Original) The collapsible container according to claim 14, wherein the biasing means includes a pair of

resiliently deformable arms.

16. (Cancelled)

17. (Currently Amended) The collapsible container according to claim 15 ~~16~~, wherein the resiliently deformable arms abut a portion of the adjacent sidewall.

18. (Original) The collapsible container according to claim 17, wherein the portion of the adjacent sidewall is an inward rib and the resiliently deformable arms of the latch abut the inward rib.

19. (Currently Amended) The collapsible container according to any one of claims 14 and 15 ~~claim 16~~, wherein the adjacent sidewall has a pair of hinge posts apertures for receiving the hinge posts of the latch.

20. (Original) The collapsible container according to claim 18, wherein the body has an aperture for receiving an actuating member.

21. (Original) The collapsible container according to claim 20, wherein the adjacent sidewall has a pair of actuating members.

22. (Original) The collapsible container according to claim 21, wherein the pair of actuating members are

joined by a single hand actuator.

23. (Original) The collapsible container according to claim 22, wherein the actuation of the single hand actuator causes the latch to pivot about the hinge post apertures.

24. (Currently Amended) A collapsible container having:

a base;

a first pair and a second pair of opposed sidewalls pivotally coupled to the base, the sidewalls pivotable between an assembled position and a collapsed position;

a latch member disposed at each end of the first pair of opposed sidewalls; and

a latch hingedly coupled with each end of the second pair of opposed sidewalls, for releasably engaging the latch member when the sidewalls are in the assembled position, the latch having a body and a biasing means attached thereto for biasing the body in engagement with the latch member when the sidewalls are in the assembled position, wherein the latch further has a pair of hinge posts extending from the body, for hinged coupling with each end of the second pair of opposed sidewalls.

25. (Original) The collapsible container according to claim 24, wherein the biasing means includes a pair of resiliently deformable arms.

26. (Cancelled)

27. (Currently Amended) The collapsible container according to claim 25 ~~26~~, wherein the resiliently deformable arms of the latch abut a portion of the second pair of opposed sidewalls.

28. (Currently Amended) The collapsible container according to claim 25 ~~30~~, wherein each end of the second pair of opposed sidewalls includes an inward rib and the resiliently deformable arms of the latch abut the inward rib.

29. (Currently Amended) The collapsible container according to any one of claims 24 and 25 ~~claim 26~~, wherein each end of the second pair of opposed sidewalls includes a pair of hinge post apertures for receiving the hinge posts of the latch.

30. (Currently Amended) The collapsible container according to claim 29 ~~32~~, wherein the body has an aperture for receiving an actuating member.

31. (Currently Amended) The collapsible container according to claim 30 ~~33~~, wherein each of the second pair of opposed sidewalls includes a pair of actuating members.

32. (Currently Amended) The collapsible container according to claim 31 ~~34~~, wherein the pair of actuating members are joined by a single hand actuator.

33. (Currently Amended) The collapsible container according to claim 32 ~~35~~, wherein actuation of the single hand actuator causes the latch to pivot about the hinge post apertures.

34. (Original) The collapsible container according to claim 14, wherein the latch member includes a substantially rectangular aperture.

35. (Original) The collapsible container according to claim 24, wherein the latch member includes a substantially rectangular aperture.

36. (Original) The collapsible container according to claim 14, wherein the latch includes a lug for release ably engaging the latch member.

37. (Original) The collapsible container according to claim 24, wherein the latch includes a lug for release ably engaging the latch member.

38. (Original) The collapsible container according to claim 14, wherein the latch member has a tapered end.

39. (Original) The collapsible container according to claim 24, wherein the latch member has a tapered end.